

March 3, 2021

Dear KBC Ohana,

We are so grateful to all of you for your faith, patience, and perseverance throughout this past year as COVID-19 has required new methods for the church's normal way of life. KBC's Beyond COVID Committee (BCC) continues to meet through this time of adapting regulations, paying close attention to what is being communicated by local and national sources about COVID-19. We are comparing notes with other churches throughout our district and here on Oahu. And we are prayerfully considering best practices for the health and safety of our congregation.

This past week Hawaii made the long-anticipated move from tier two to tier three. Our BCC met on Monday night to discuss how the eased regulations impact our ministry offerings going forward. Listed below are the new protocols shared in a question-and-answer format. If you don't find the answer to your particular question, feel free to reach out to anyone on the Beyond COVID Committee.

FAQs

1. Will we still be required to wear a mask at KBC?

In most situations, "yes." However, if you are meeting in a group outside and are practicing the social distancing protocols (maintaining 6 feet apart); you are able to remove your mask.

2. Does that mean I can remove my mask if I sit outside on Sunday or after church on Sunday when I am greeting friends and family?

No, at the Sunday morning gathering face masks that cover both mouth and nose are still required at all times.

3. Can we meet on campus in larger groups throughout the week?

Yes, groups of 10 people or less may sign up by calling the church office or sending an email to info@kapahulubible.org at least 24 hours before your requested date and time to use the facilities. This includes the indoor spaces of the Prayer Room (maximum occupancy with social distancing is 6) and the Fellowship Hall. The back Lanai by the basketball court is also available when the Preschool is not in operation.

4. What are the times that the campus is available?

Great question! The campus is available as follows:

- Monday through Friday from 6am to 10pm [*Lanai, from 5pm to 10pm while Preschool is in session?*]
- Saturday from 6am to 10pm
- Sunday after services from 1pm to 10pm

5. Can two groups meet on campus simultaneously?

No. To maintain control and cut down on any confusion we are limiting the use of the campus to one group at a time.

6. Will someone be cleaning the spaces used after a group uses them?

Yes. The office will provide each group with a “Facility Use Responsibility” box or kit which will include a document with cleaning instructions, cleaning supplies, gloves and paper towels, prior to their meeting. Each group will be responsible for cleaning the area after use.

7. Is the kitchen available for use?

The kitchen is not yet available for daily use. If there is a special event for which the kitchen would be needed, permission can be requested and granted on a case-by-case basis.

8. Can we eat and/or drink on campus?

Eating and drinking are permitted in the outdoor areas of our campus (palm court and back lanai). If drinking a refreshment while indoors, one may lower their mask to drink, but is expected to keep mouth and nose covered in between sips. For now no eating other than the snacks provided for the elementary school aged children are permitted inside the facility.

9. If I have been vaccinated, do I still need to wear my mask and socially distance?

Yes. We are asking that everyone, regardless of vaccination status, to wear their masks and follow the social distancing guidelines.

Please keep in mind as you review these questions and answers that many prayerful considerations went into these policies. The committee is striving to edify (build up) the body of Christ by considering the best practices for our community members as well as for our neighbors. A passage that has become a plumbline for the work of this committee is Paul’s words found in 1st Corinthians 10:23–24,

All things are permitted, but not all things are of benefit. All things are permitted, but not all things build people up. No one is to seek his own advantage, but rather that of his neighbor.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

In humble service and love,

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